

DUKE SELECTED ON ALL-SOUTH SQUAD

Forensic Club Sponsors Fall Activities

Entering into its fourth year, our Forensic Club, under the capable guidance of Mrs. Norton Campbell, has attained a membership of approximately fifty boys from the Junior and Senior classes and has become one of the most active organizations on the campus. The club exists in order that students who complete the Sophomore Speech Course may have an opportunity to further their public speaking interests.

The Forensic Club held its first meeting this year at the home of its president, Ira Parker. After the installation of new members, those present heard a very interesting and informative talk on parliamentary procedure by Dr. D. I. Freshley, head of the Public Speaking Department at Vanderbilt.

There were approximately thirty new boys who qualified for membership. These include T. Sloan, McKnight, Crowell, B. Wood, Pickering, W. Griffin, Thirrell, Carothers, Hooper, E. Grant, L. C. Howell, Bill Barr, Garth, Fort, Chumley, B. Husband, B. Gillespie, D. Brush, Purdy, Duke, Grant, Williams, Steinbaugh, P. Smith, and Pirtle. These boys will get the best training for their work in later life from this club.

The officers of the club for this year are Ira Parker, president; Bill Barr, vice president; Edgar Uden, secretary-treasurer; and Tommy Murphree, program chairman.

The new programs presented by these new boys promise to be interesting and helpful to all.

Several members of the club attended the October 15 meeting of the Toastmaster's Club and were able to hear some very interesting and entertaining talks.

The first city forensic meet was held October 23 at Cohn High School. Even though a few of MBA top speakers were unable to participate, the school placed high. The debating team defeated Howard while Bill Barr took runner-up honors in extemporaneous speaking, and Ira Parker captured third place in poetry interpretation.

For the first time in many years, MBA has a debating team. The team, which has taken part in various debate workshops, is composed of Richard Appen, Don Houser, Garth Fort, Randy Kroner and Lionel Barrett.

Our Forensic Club has had an assembly program every Thursday and also has sponsored many outside speakers in assembly, ranging from a Rumanian princess to Alvin Dark, a shortstop for the St. Louis Cardinals. MBA's highly-acclaimed Freedom Forum, composed of Tommy Murphree, George McGugin, Ben Mayes, Ira Parker, John Dale and Bill Barr, has presented several area groups with their excellent program.

The club's next meeting will be in January, at Highland Crest Restaurant. Mr. Bill Kendall of the Toastmasters' Club will be



David Duke

Math Clubs Formed

Another innovation in this year of change at MBA is the math clubs. There are plane geometry and math II teachers, Dr. J. C. Rule. The members of these clubs are chosen from a select group of honor students from his classes, who maintain a six-weeks' average of 90 or above.

"The purpose of the clubs," says Dr. Rule, "is to allow the students with a high degree of quantitative ability to obtain an even higher degree of mathematical knowledge. We plan to help the boys prepare for the mathematical section of the College Board Aptitude Test."

The clubs meet on alternate Thursday nights for approximately an hour. During these meetings Dr. Rule gives various problems which are considered on a mental level with these exceptional students. The solutions are then compared and discussed.

In recent elections the Algebra II club chose the following officers: Paul Simpson, President; Joe Howell, Vice-president; Jeff Williams, Secretary-Treasurer.

The members of the Algebra II club are Sam Robertson, Jeff Williams, Paul Simpson, Jim Check, Jimmy Killebrew, Reau Estes, Jud Harwood, Bandy Wenning, Lewis Dale, Craig Nellis, John Witherspoon, Dick Barry, Leighton Carmichael, Larry Davis, Bobby Frist, Sam Glasgow, Willie Hardison, Joe Howell, Wilson Prueher, Tate Bradley, Billy Wood, Richard Appen, Carl Babb, Lionel Barrett, and Jack McClelland.

The members of the Plane Geometry Club are Tommy Sloan, Chuck Chumley, Garth Fort, Frankie Crowell, Sam Pickering, Randy Kroner, Billy Wood, Richard Appen, Carl Babb, Lionel Barrett, Don Houser and Gray Smith.

The special guest and assist the club in putting on their dinner program, which includes several extemporaneous and impromptu speeches by the members.

The Forensic Club has become a valuable part of the extracurricular activities of the school and will certainly continue its fine activities.



Members of newly formed debating team are (from left): Don Houser, Dick Appen, Lionel Barrett, Randy Kroner.

The first authentic All-American high school football teams have been selected by Teen magazine and their fifty top sport writers throughout the United States.

Teen selected one All-American team covering forty states, Hawaii, and the District of Columbia, plus six regional teams covering every area of the United States, and an Honorable mention squad.

Thousands of athletes throughout the United States were screened before the final selections were made.

The Maroon's own David Duke, 185-pound senior end, was selected on the All-South team. David has lettered three years as a Maroon, and has been offered scholarships from several big-name universities such as Vanderbilt, Tulane, Tennessee, Kentucky, and Duke.

MBA followers will be interested in the extent of David's college football success in whichever college he may choose.

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ISAAC BALL HALL DEDICATED

MBA Honored by Guest Speakers

During the past two months, MBA's morning assembly programs have been highlighted by several interesting and well-known people.

Princess Catherine Caradjia of Rumania gave a very impressive talk about her experiences during World War II. As she put it, "You can bear the wound from a sword, but you can die from a thousand pin pricks." She pointed out that it was the little things, such as fear that you were always being watched, and hearing a car drive up at night, wondering what would happen to you if it stopped at your house.

Another welcome guest speaker was Alvin Dark who represented the Fellowship of Christian Athletes. Mr. Dark stated that, with God on your side, you will always have a winning team. He said that, after a game, whether you won or lost, if you can say to yourself that you played to the best of your ability and played clean and fair, then your conscience is clear and everything is all right.

Dick Sisler, well-known manager of the Nashville Vols, told his experiences with the big league and suggested that we make our education the most important goal in our lives. "Being a good football or basketball player is fine," he said, "but later on that is all going to pass away; and it is your education that is going to stick with you all through your life."

Dr. Thomas Barr, Pastor of the Trinity Presbyterian Church, and Mr. Henry Wise, former math teacher at MBA, were also guest speakers on the Hill.

Carolers Needed

"A Candle in the Window, a Carol at the Door" will again bring the big thrill to the Hill when the Fannie Battle Social Workers sponsor the carol singing for the thirty-ninth year.

Anyone wishing to form a choir should contact Mrs. Elvis Reid, Jr., at Cypress 2-2966.

At five o'clock on October 17, the ceremony began honoring the late Professor Isaac Ball and his widow, Mrs. Ethel Weisinger Ball. Taking place on the front porch of the main building, the dedication was set under way by Mr. Charles Moss.

The invocation was delivered by the Rev. Robert M. Shaw.

Mr. John Ball, one of Professor Ball's sons, was the next speaker telling about the newly formed Alumni Association.

Following this, Mr. Carter, MBA's new headmaster, was introduced by Mr. John Sloan.

The next item on the agenda was the introduction of the guests on the platform.

The dedication address was delivered by Mr. Howard Butler. He related the earliest history of the school and the gradual change of the name to Montgomery Bell Academy.

The story of how Professor and Mrs. Ball carried the academy through the 1925 fire and through the years of the Depression was narrated.

As Mr. Butler concluded his talk, the curtains were removed from the two plaques. The plaque on the left of the threshold gives the new name of the building: "Isaac M. Ball Memorial Hall." The one on the right gives a brief history of the Hall's affiliation with MBA.

For the conclusion of the program, the Glee Club sang the new Alma Mater.



Two generations of Balls look proudly at one of the plaques on the facade of the newly dedicated Isaac Ball Hall. (From left) Moultrie Ball, Mrs. Isaac Ball, John Ball.

Merry Christmas

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Tomorrow We Live

There is an age-old philosophy of life that has been debased to the formula, "Eat, drink, and be merry, for tomorrow we die." A song was even written about this outlook on life saying that "life is just a bowl of cherries, so live and laugh at it all." Many people still advocate such an irrational and materialistic concept, but a true Christian mind would dismiss the thought as a foolish reason to hide behind the weakness of sin. Yet in high school life in this nation today, many students feel that there is no need to be serious, for school is nothing but a joke. Of course they do not pattern their lives as a whole on this philosophy; but there is a lack of seriousness on their part in their attitude toward school work. Little do they realize that competition for admission to college warrants a hard working, serious attitude and a good record in high school.

Students at MBA are privileged to have probably the best preparatory opportunities available for a prospective college education. And yet there is nothing to be gained by having the satisfaction of passing, only passing with the attitude that it doesn't matter one way or the other. Moreover, a lack of seriousness in high school is apt to breed a lack of seriousness, which would result in ultimate failure in later life. Certainly students of a senior high school level should assume a sense of responsibility that will justify earnestness in their work; there is too much of life hanging in the balance of attitudes in school to regard the work lightly. The Epicurean apothegm should be reworded to state: "Get serious, for tomorrow we live!"

ALUMNI NEWS

Here we are once again to see what the alumni of MBA are doing now that they are away from the Hill. Although the news we receive may be a little late, our relatives are rather prompt when it comes to keeping up with graduates. It is with this thought, that we request any alumni, student, parent, or friend having any news, as to the past students of MBA write us about it.

Ex-MBA Star Gets Award

Dick Anderson, class of '54, ex-MBA football star who played at MBA in 1951-1954, has recently been voted the most improved player on the Berlin Bears, serviced football champions of Europe. Dick plans to continue his football career when he returns to Vanderbilt. The most improved award was unanimously voted Anderson by his teammates, coaches and training staff. This is the first year the award has been given.

Due to lack of space in the last issue, we were unable to print the words to our Alma Mater. The following are the words written especially for MBA by Ralph Freed and Beasley Smith:

"Hail MBA of thee we sing,
Now and forever more;
Long may the bells of glory
ring,
As in the days of yore.

Hail to thee! Hail to thee!
Where loyally hearts and friend-
ships dwell;
Oon and on! Faithfully,
Hail Montgomery Bell."

Four boys from MBA's '57 graduating class are really making a name for themselves at Duke. Jody Wallace has been elected secretary-treasurer of his dorm and Brad Reed has been elected president of the football team. They are also participating in athletics. Jody is playing Freshman basketball and Brad, Freshman tennis. Also at Duke, Russell Hooper is on the Frosh wrestling team and Tony Brush is on the diving team for the Blue Devils.

Tom Husband, '57, has just finished playing first string Freshman football for the Vols of U.T. At Cornell, George Sloan, '57, has been playing on the polo team.

Well, that's about it. Again we ask that you send us information concerning your whereabouts and our alumni. If they are participating in any sports, hold offices of any kind in organizations, or just generally making a name for themselves in whatever they are doing, please let us know. Send to:

Alumni News
c/o Bell Ringer
Montgomery Bell Academy
Harding Road
Nashville, Tenn.

Freshman News

Well, here we are again, news enhancers of another Freshman news column. Ugh!

The Freshmen are finally settling down to school business—"Hey, who hit me in the head with this acorn?"—well, nearly.

Acorns are usually found under oak trees but it is a little different here, the acorns are found in the study hall. There should be a sign over the study hall door: Watch Out for Flying Objects, or Enter at Your Risk.

Mr. Carter and the faculty think we could do without chewing gum. One kept on chewing, he got the Saturday work house.

The Saturday workers ran out of acorns so now they are scraping chewing gum.

"Ugh! I hate chewing gum, especially A.B.C. gum."

The poor cold drink machines were finally rescued from the study hall—there just couldn't take it.

When acorns hit, flies will fly as Blinky Binks found out the hard way.

Flash! Back room of study hall raised—innocent spectators hauled in.

Mr. Novak revealed his new star valley ball player, Billy Riddle, for the first time to the public.

MBA's flag taken, the image of Hillsboro hanged in study hall.

The study hall rioters give Mr. Rule the buzz. Basketball scoreboard clock runs out of time.

Corn Corner: Double-Feature Programs:

Kiss and Tell
As Thousands Cheer

Don't Take No for an Answer
Always Shoot First

Wife Wanted
I Love Trouble

Sophomore News

Greetings, news friends. The sops had a blowout at Bob Frist's plane.

Their next stop was at the food counter were Palmer, Griffin, and Dorrier. The combo was a smash hit as Cudjo fell through the drum.

The next party will be sometime in December. Don't forget to bring a dollar and your date.

Many of the sops made the J.V. basketball team. The first game was December 3, against TPS in our new gym.

Many days off weeds as practice starts. Gut dead after first day of practice.

Sophomores rock as Mr. Bachelder installs new English policy. Coach Matlock starts weightlifting class. Sophomores inspired by Atas.

Robertson invents new song and dance routine at school. Rosebud flings in shower. Class relieved.

Some sops joined in Kingsport, to get last look at cheerleaders.

We wish to offer our deepest sympathy to Pickle. All he got for Christmas was a new "Impala."

Thompson, Hart, Smith, Wallace plan new combo—"The Friendly Four."

Sophomores riot at lunch period.

Harwood loses pants to Juniors.

Satellites collide in mid-air. Hitler found alive in the basement, D.C. the sun sets in the east, and MBA loses football game to Hillsboro. So, till we meet again,

Zorro

Junior News

Well, here we are again following members of the "I've Been Squelched Club." Old "Slide" really put one to us this time. Oh well, that's how the old grade drops.

Perhaps this is a problem for Jean Grice, but rumors have it that there is a fierce battle brewing from one of those involved romances. It's all over a girl named Louise. Louise is having trouble deciding whom to go to. I get the word that the boy with the highest physics average has the advantage in this triangle.

No, Mr. Rule, the sky is not falling, just your ceiling.

P. Smith and "Bird Dog" found dueling in the gym. Something about "two's a company, three's a crowd." But, those triangles are really murder.

Fort hopes to attain life-long ambition: "To visit the French Riviera before bikinis go out of style and to see the Follies." French has really gone to his head. Oh well, "Vive la France" and all that jazz. *Yesssaaah!*

Physics has outlined chapter book. Kroner sees horses (?) grazing on front lawn.

Mr. Rule and Appen are matching wits in song writing, except Richard writes them in Spanish.

Mrs. B. tells of some boy writing theme on his most embarrassing moment. . . . in the guest room. Attention increases 100%.

Gran, Gillespie, Myhr, and Sloan make last French Check List. Ball only junior on Spanish Check List.

Mr. Rule gives easy three-hour exam in fifty minutes. When approached as to where he got the problems, he replied, "From a book written by some moron. The title of it is *Problems That Gave Me Trouble* by *Albert Einstein*."

Four put out ball cap pistol after the "Flying Saucer" of Hillswood and Belle Meade. Look out, Garth, the "Hoo Man" might be out.

Ninety-nine and 44/100% of the juniors fail six weeks' plane test. Ninety-nine per cent make 50. Mr. Rule explains the method of solving the problems. "Well, first, you square the hypotenuse of the concentric circles and add that to the perpendicular which you have dropped from Point A parallel to the line CD which has been bisected by the medians of the two congruent triangles which have previously been made to coincide. Next you add this product to the quotient of the alternate supplementary angles. Then you add these angles to the cosine of the tangent of the angles 1, 2, 3, 4, 19, 45, 99, and 0, and you have your answer. See. Simple."

"But, Mr. Rule, we haven't had trigonometry, calculus, solid, logic and college algebra yet." And there were.

Congratulations to Appen, Houser, Kroner and Barrett on winning the debutes in which they participated. Keep it up, boys.

J. Smith tells of vacation escapades in Florida. Junior Class plans trip to Fla. over Xmas. Wall-Ho.

Mrs. B. and Mr. Rule must be having contests to see "Who can sin worse?" that would make the author of the literature book. The last question ran something like this: "Paraphrase in something like this: 'Panamopis.' I want two rough copies of a 1,000 words each and the final copy in ink." Then she added, "The first part of the test took forty-five minutes. You have ten minutes left in the period." Boring, right? Sighs and.

According to reports, the second period plane class has had a bad case of "oral dysentery" which in modern, every-day language means "pushing off at the mouth."

From all reports Stephens and Griffin must have been real pen-pals.

How about Emma's address, boys, or maybe even Kitty's? Huh? "I'm not going to tell you that the Juniors have been "spreading" a little too loud lately. Will you please refrain from creating such boisterous activities?" Especially in the lunch room."

Well, got to go to study hall with the other 102% of the junior class who didn't make the priv. list. See you next time if my head is still above water.

Oh, yes. Attention Jr.'s, cell meeting in study hall latter part of the lunch period.

Senior News

As the Christmas Holidays draw near, the spirit of the Senior class rises and the grades drop. Everyone seems very pleased as the "sack up" right before the Holidays.

Littleton celebrates 22nd birthday at "Cove." Creagh celebrates birthday at home. "Vacuum-cleaner" Miller celebrates.

Bradley becomes disgusted with large classes—Bradley decides to have a class all his own.

Wade and Carpenter returns from safari with wild game.

Chris Christian extends formal invitation to all those who would like to spend a peaceful evening, to come to Cherokee Orchard and listen to Arthur Gunner.

Congratulations to David Duke who made the All-South team and also to Ed Creagh who made honorable mention.

Duke returns from New Orleans with a brace of good-looking girls (?). Says David, "Man, you couldn't tell the difference."

John Dale and Richard Miller were the only seniors to make the "All-French" checklist.

Muse angers Hayes. Muse found massacred in ditch. Hayes cuts lip after Kappa dance.

MBA arsonists leave charred marks at home of well-known Ryan student.

Well, that's all for now, but remember—"Nothing helps a girl to stay on the straight and narrow as being built that way."

WLL, C'NT U?

This recently appeared in the editorial columns of a newspaper:

Meh hs bn wrth abt rfrm'd spng as a savr of spc. Possibly ths wd be a gd pl. bt it wd be a btr pl. if wr card frthr. If a sysm of abrvtns wr adptd, as mch as 49pc of spc cl'd b sved. It wd'n't b so hrld as u mght thnk. U cn read ths, cut u?

Gossip

Gossip . . . Gossip . . . Gossip! What a spiteful little word with an ugly meaning! Even its hissing of s's brings displeasure to the ear. When hearing the word, one might think of the quack, quack, quack of a goose or gander. Alas! That little word gossip is—an idle quacking of tongues.

Usually we connect gossip with women chatting over the back fence, across the manicure table, and at the weekly bridge club, or sometimes men at the barbershop. However, anyone who does not watch the use of his tongue can be guilty of gossip. It can happen in night clubs, low places, or any walls of life.

No one can judge what harm can be done when the tongue is not closely watched. What effect the rumors of family discord had on Queen Elizabeth and Prince Phillip is unknown. In my own limited experience, I recall an incident of gossip in which rumors of the unfaithfulness of a certain boy were started. It happened enough at this time, Sammies' pockets were "loaded" with pennies, nickels, and dimes. Before the real culprit could be apprehended, gossip took over. No one bothered to question poor Sammy. He was guilty and had the name on him.

Although Sammy's innocence was firmly established, whenever his name is mentioned today, someone associates it with dishonesty. In many such cases names, reputations, and homes are ruined by false assumptions. How easily is the result of careless talk. Shakespear says, "He that fibbles from me is not a good wife; he robs me of that which not enriches him and makes me poor indeed."

It is unfortunate that the tongue is so hard to control—"Mankind can tame . . . every kind of beast and bird . . . but no human being has ever found out how to tame the tongue."

Unlike many crimes and misdemeanors, retribution for ill-considered talk is slow and hopeless. When one good lady asked her spiritual adviser for a way to repent, he took her to the top of a tall building and told her to loosen the seams of her feathered pillow. The four winds scattered the feathers in every direction. Just as it is impossible to retract the feathers, it is impossible to retract the wrongs made by the idle quacking of tongues.

MBA Seeds Four on All-City Squad

MBA Rolls Over Litton, 32-13

MBA bounced back from their loss to Hillsboro by defeating Isaac Litton in a hard-fought contest, 32-13.

The Maroons kicked off to Litton, and quarterback Butch Burnette took the ball on his own 23-yard line. He ran it in for a 13-yard touchdown. Seven plays later Johnny Tomlinson swept his right end and scored from the three-yard line. The extra point was good, and the Litton led 7-0.

Litton kicked off to MBA, and Ed Creagh returned 25 yards to MBA's 40-yard line. Nine plays later Billy Crawford powered his way from the three-yard line to the score. The extra point was good, and the score was knotted at 7-7.

MBA marched for a touchdown in 11 plays, covering 71 yards. The big play was a 35-yard pass from Tommy Murphree to John Dale that put the ball on the Litton 25-yard line. Murphree scored on a keeper from the 25.

On the kickoff which opened the third period, Ed Creagh, doing a beautiful job of running behind fine blocking, took the ball on his own 12 and raced 88 yards for the third Maroon touchdown.

Litton still had plenty of football left in them. They drove to the MBA 20 before Johnny Tomlinson fumbled it out. George McGugan recovered it for MBA. MBA then drove 80 yards for the touchdown with Ed Creagh going over from the three.

Big Red's final touchdown came after an 80-yard march as Tommy Murphree scored on a seven-yard run. Final score, MBA 31, Litton 13.



All-South Duke spears Murphree aerial in 32-13 rout of Litton.

Burros Clip MBA, 13-0

Before 6,500 fans, a determined Hillsboro team was not to be denied revenge for the humiliating defeats (66-6 and 40-7) of the past two years.

MBA received the opening kickoff and promptly fumbled on the first play, Bernie Thau recovering for the Burros. However, the concrete Maroon defense halted the Burro drive at the six. Likewise, a 70-yard drive by MBA was stopped at the Burro 16. From this point the game seesawed between the 30-yard lines until a fumble by a long green pass put Hillsboro in possession on MBA's 12-yard line. The Green and Gold were stopped cold for three downs at the two, but on the fourth down Carl McNeese sped around left end for the score. The PAT was good, and the half ended with Hillsboro on top 7-0.

The second half was likewise a battle between the 30-yard lines. The Maroons were stopped with three minutes gone in the fourth, Philip Grammer of Hillsboro sped 65 yards to the Maroon 5. On fourth down Bill Settle crashed over on an end-around, and the game ended with no further scoring.

Standouts on defense for the Big Red were Bill Barr with 10 tackles and 2 assists; Crawford, 9 and 2; and Creagh, 9.

MBA Spills Cohn, 28-0

The mighty Maroon MBA dealt the Cohn Tigers a 28-0 defeat in their fifth great victory of the 1957 season. Scoring four times with a final score of 28-0, the Big Red capped their 34th consecutive win.

Early in the evening MBA made its first touchdown when John Dale ran 70 yards after intercepting a Cohn pass. Billy Crawford then kicked his first of four extra points. MBA's second 6-pointer was scored by Dave Duke, standing alone in the end zone as he completed a 32-yard pass from Tommy Murphree. In the final minutes of the first half, the Maroons' third TD was scored on a 24-yard jaunt by Tommy Murphree.

Big Red received its greatest score in the final minutes of the third quarter and in the opening moments of the fourth when the Cohn Tigers dug dirt to the MBA 4-yard line. Only because of blundering straight passes did they fail to score. MBA picked the ball up there, and on the next run Crawford streaked 71 yards to the Cohn 4, making the greatest yardage gain of the evening. In spite of clipping penalties which killed their chances to score, with 4 minutes left in the game, Tommy Murphree raced 9 yards for the game's final TD.

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Kingsport Overpowers MBA, 21-7

Highlighted by the bull-like charged of Dave Steadman and the rock-ribbed running of halfbacks Jerry Reese and Mike O'Neill, the Indians of Kingsport Dobyns-Bennett High School overpowered the Maroons 21-7 in a highly offensive battle.

MBA drove to the Kingsport 14-yard line in the early minutes of the first quarter, but the drive was stopped after an incomplete pass on fourth down. Following this drive, Kingsport took the ball and struck quickly before MBA could collect its defenses. The extra point was good and Kingsport led 7-0.

The game's best defense, what little there was, came in the second quarter, the only threats being MBA's penetration to the Kingsport 29 and 31 yard lines.

Immediately following the second half kickoff, Kingsport's Jerry Reese broke away on a 44-yard dash to the Maroon 11. On the fourth play Steadman bucked over for the Indian's second touchdown.

The Maroons' defense, which received the ensuing kickoff and quarterbacked a drive of ten plays for the first MBA touchdown. The conversion by Crawford was good, and the score stood Kingsport 14, MBA 7.

On the fifth play from scrimmage following the kickoff, however, Jerry Reese again broke away on a 55-yard touchdown gallop, and the score remained that way, 21-7, until the final gun.

Maroons Bop Dupont, 16-6

October 25 saw a handful of shivering Maroon fans gathered at Frank Andrews Field to watch the Big Red go for its thirty-eighth consecutive game without a loss. They were not disappointed, for early in the second quarter, Ed Creagh crossed the goal for the first score. The PAT was added by Billy Crawford, and the Maroons were off to a good start.

Later in the half the Bulldogs came back with a touchdown on a shifty reverse; the conversion was wide, however, and the half ended with no further scoring. In the early part of the third quarter, the Big Red drove again, and the Maroons' defense made a stand. Ray Cooper made a 30-yard Murphree-to-Duke pass. Later in the quarter, the MBA ball club ground out 55 yards to the Dupont six but were checked by a fumble on the next play. After several futile tries to gain yardage against the powerful Maroon forearm, Ray Cooper stepped back to pun. Pressed harder than he realized, he stepped out of the end zone for a safety. In the final minutes the Bulldogs managed a small drive to the Maroon 28. The Big Red took over, but time ran out. The game ended with the score MBA 16, Dupont 6.

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MBA's mighty Maroons were honored when they learned that four of their starters, three seniors and one junior, were selected on the All-Nashville football squads of the *Nashville Banner* and *Tennessean*. Two linemen and two backs were chosen. Those honored were:

Billy Crawford—Jr. 6' 185. A transfer from Valdosta, Ga., Billy made the *Tennessean* All-Class AAA. This is Billy's second year as a starting fullback for the Maroons. He is powerful straight ahead charge and slants off tackle, making himself receiver along with his talent an accurate place kicker. A fine defensive linebacker, he often crashes the offensive line to break up the opposing team's play in its own backfield. Billy is also a good golfer.

David Duke—Sr. 6' 1" 185. A three-year letterman, David was a consensus All-Nashville, selected as an end on both the *Banner* All-Nashville and the *Tennessean* All-Class AAA. He was also named to the All-South team selected by the sports writers of *Tenn. magazine*. David's speed, along with his excellent pass-catching ability, has enabled him to figure prominently in many games this year, such as Cohn, Dupont, and Litton (see picture).

George McGugin—Sr. 6' 175. Playing his second year on the varsity, George was selected on the *Banner* All-Class AAA mainly for his defensive prowess. George is a fine defensive back, and was the quarterback of the Maroon's powerful defensive forward. He diagnoses plays well, pursues quickly, and is a sure tackler. He is also an excellent defender of the hook and jump pass, which was exhibited brilliantly in the Springfield game, when he intercepted a Yellow Jacket pass on his own 49 and returned it to the Yellow Jacket six, setting up the first and very important touchdown. George is likewise a low-swinging golfer, a member of the Maroon golf team since his freshman year.

Tommy Murphree—Sr. 5' 11" 165. Tommy, also a three-year letterman, was likewise a consensus pick, making both the *Banner* and *Tennessean* teams. Besides his shifty running on his quarterback keeper plays, Tommy is perhaps the best passer in the NLL. The Murphree-to-Duke combinations have figured prominently in the Maroon offense the past two years. Tommy has led in basketball and also in track, where he was a standout 880-yard man. All of these boys have been considered fine prospects for college football, including Crawford, who is only a junior, and have been offered grant-in-aids to several universities.

MBA '57-'58 Basketball Schedule

"B" games at 6:45
Varsity at 8:15

(MBA wears "white" at home; red away)

OPPONENT	PLACE
3 Dec. TPS	MBA
6 Dec. Howard	MBA
10 Dec. Cohn	Cohn
13 Dec. Ryan	MBA
20 Dec. Springfield	Springfield
27 Dec. Lipscomb	Lipscomb
7 Jan. Cohn	MBA
14 Jan. Peabody	MBA
14 Jan. Cohn	MBA
17 Jan. Hillsboro	MBA
24 Jan. Ryan	Ryan
28 Jan. North	North
3 Feb. C.H.M.A.	MBA
4 Feb. C.H.M.A.	C.H.M.A. (138)
7 Feb. Lipscomb	MBA
11 Feb. Howard	Howard
18 Feb. C.H.M.A.	TPS
18 Feb. Springfield	MBA
21 Feb. C.H.M.A.	MBA

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**Personality
of The Month**



Tommy Murphree

This issue of the Bell Ringer is proud to honor Tommy Murphree as its Personality of the Month.

Tommy came to MBA from Overbrook School as a freshman. In four years Tommy has perhaps the most varied list of activities of any boy in school. He is in the top 10% of his class and has won the Algebra II and chemistry medals.

In athletics, he is a three-letter man in football, an All-Nashville quarterback, and perhaps one of the most outstanding college prospects from this area. He has played J.V. and Varsity basketball and has set the school record for the 880-yard run.

In student activities, he was on the student council as a freshman. He was vice president of his freshman class, secretary-treasurer of his sophomore class, president of his junior class; and this year, he serves as vice president of the senior class. He is secretary-treasurer of Totomo, program chairman of the Forensic Club, and is also a member of the MBA Freedom Forum. Tommy is also secretary-treasurer of the Key Club. Journalistically, Tommy is copy editor of the Annual.

Outside of school, Tommy is an active member and president of the CYO. He is also president of the Alpha Chi Fraternity.

His Likes and Dislikes
Favorite Actress: Kim Novak
Favorite Subject: French
Disliked Subject: Eng. Vocab.
Favorite Food: Steak
Disliked Food: Okra
Favorite Teacher: Miss Kaye

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**Many Scholarships
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This year there are perhaps more scholarships available to MBA students than at any other time in her long history. These include athletic, honor, and financial need awards.

With a bumper crop of outstanding football players at MBA this year, there are many "talent-seekers" looking for players to sign grant-in-aid scholarships. Among the players who have visited various college campuses are Ed Creagh, Tommy Murphree, George McGugin, David Duke, Bill Barr, and John Muse.

The most famous of the honor scholarships is the All-American scholarship offered by a group of nationally prominent businessmen to eight hundred of the most intelligent and deserving high school seniors in the country. Last year two MBA boys, Brad Reed and Rollin Lasseter won scholarships. Preliminary tests for these were taken on October 22 by many MBA seniors.

An upcoming scholarship test is on this Saturday for the boys who are interested in attaining N.R.C.T.C. scholarships. Not only mental but also physical requirements are taken into consideration.

For the past several years MBA has been well represented in the field of scholarship. This year, with the fine calibre of Senior students, is sure to be no exception.

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**Mr. Carter Views
Honor System**

Q.—What are Mr. Carter's views on the present honor system at MBA?

A.—Honor comes first; it is the "heart" of any school system. The boys are generally behind the honor code. If anything is to be said to the contrary, it might be that the students should feel more responsibility in recognizing and reporting dishonorable actions. Even in a prep school is more demanding and demanding, so it is more demanding morally, and with such a foundation, the student has unlimited opportunities. (Mr. Carter's views are not quoted as such, but paraphrased.)

Yes, 1957 is a year of change at MBA. It is difficult for us, as students, to understand the adversities a new teacher at a school must contend with during the initial weeks. He or she comes into the school knowing little about its students and their habits. The new teachers have made very important statements about MBA and its students. Let us see what we live up to these remarks by showing that the MBA boy is a special kind of boy—a gentleman in the strict sense of the word.

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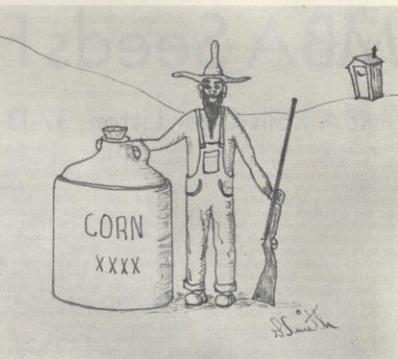
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